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RESPONSE

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Sir:

The following is being submitted in response to the Office Action dated 4 May 2005 from Examiner Arti R. Singh of Art Unit 1771.

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STATUS

Claims 1-23 are pending in the above-captioned patent application.

The Specification has been objected to for an informality.

Claims 3 and 4 have been rejected under 35 USC 112 for an antecedent basis issue.

Claims 1-23 have been rejected under 35 USC 103 as being obvious over US Patent No. 5838132 to Iguchi (Iguchi '132) in view of US Patent No. 6703086 to Kronzer (Kronzer '086).

EXTENSION OF TIME

A separate Petition for an Extension of Time of one (1) month up to and including 4 September 2005 to respond to the outstanding Office Action along with the appropriate fee is being transmitted herewith.